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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Hiroshi SHINOKI, et al.

Group: 1634

Serial No.: 09/706,405

Examiner: Jeanine Goldberg

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**PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION**

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed November 5, 2002. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$110.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

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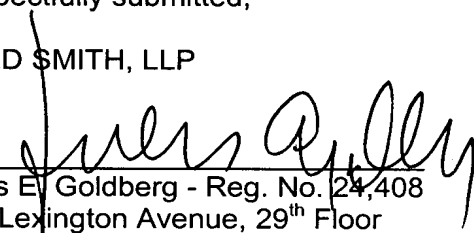
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